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9 September 1953

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Legislative Task Force

1. The Legislative Task Force met on 4 September 1953.
2. The Chairman reported that the Medical Office concurs in those aspects of the preliminary report of the Task Force which concern medical affairs and interests.
3. It was agreed that:
 - a. With respect to certain alternatives on which the CIA Career Service Board did not recommend further action (during its meeting on 31 August 1953), the Task Force would not make additional studies, but would cite such decisions in its final report.
 - b. With respect to personnel evaluation, Missing Persons Act, and home leave, the matter would no longer be a primary concern of the Task Force but would be turned over to General Counsel to implement the decisions of the CIA Career Service Board.
 - c. All other subjects would be given renewed study by the Task Force. The results of such study would be a complete, thorough staff study on each subject, with attention being given to merging two or more subjects in a single staff study where possible.
4. It was agreed that completed staff studies would be reviewed by the Task Force for approval, and would be exposed to wide coordination and review throughout the administrative offices. Not only would feasibility be determined, but cost estimates prepared by the Comptroller would be included where indicated. The Chairman will serve as a central point for obtaining assistance within the administrative offices (e.g., Comptroller, General Counsel) whenever desired by individual members.

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5. It was agreed that the Chairman will prepare the final report to which the staff studies will be attachments. Legislative justification (actual documents to be used in presenting and defending a bill) will not be prepared until after DCI approval of proposed legislation has been obtained.

6. The members of the Task Force reviewed each tab of the preliminary report in the light of the guidance received from the CIA Career Service Board, and made the following decisions:

a. Tab A - No active study except that benefits for disabled TEC personnel will be considered by [REDACTED] in Tab C.

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b. Tab B - No active study; to be turned over to General Counsel for action.

c. Tab C - Further study

d. Tab D - Further study

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e. Tab E - Further study (later decision to refer to General Counsel for action)

f. Tab F - Further study

g. Tab G - Further study

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h. Tab H - A little further study, but by [REDACTED]

i. Tab I - No active study

j. Tab J - No active study; to be turned over to General Counsel for action.

k. Tab K - No active study except that the study of overseas retirement credit will be accomplished by [REDACTED]

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l. Tab L - Further study; [REDACTED] will work with [REDACTED]

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m. Tab M - Further study

n. Tab N - Further study

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s. Tab R (Insurance) - It was noted that the Insurance Task Force is active in this area and may ask for legislation. Such requests, however, will come later. It was agreed that [redacted] would confer with respect to the handling of this subject by the Legislative Task Force.

p. Tab S - Further study

q. Tab T - Further study

r. Tab U - It was agreed that, in general, this subject would not be studied further. [redacted] indicated, however, that CIA personnel may be required to perform duties which negate coverage by commercial insurance policies. It was agreed that such situations would be personal hardships, and that CIA should take action to provide adequate coverage in such cases. It was agreed that this subject would be mentioned in the final report as a problem requiring further study in the Insurance Task Force.

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s. Tab W .. Further study

7. It was agreed that the Task Force would submit with its final report a non-technical version of a legislative bill which would present the objectives proposed in the report.

8. The Executive Secretary was directed to take such action as is necessary to insure that the final report of the Task Force is submitted to the members of the CIA Career Service Board at least several days in advance of the date on which they will discuss it in session.

Signed

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Executive Secretary

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